



The Archangel Committee
The Greater Portland – Russian Sister City Project
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SUMMER 2013

ARCHANGEL AND GREATER PORTLAND
CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP
1988-2013

Twenty-Five years ago on **November 18, 1988** a “Treaty on Friendly Ties” was signed in the City of Archangel that linked that great City with all of the cities and towns of Greater Portland. The Treaty was agreed to by two bold visionaries: signing on behalf of the City of Archangel was **Mayor Stanislav Potyomkin** and signing on behalf of Greater Portland was **Westbrook Mayor Philip Spiller**. The other Mainers in attendance that day were: Daniel Glover, the Founder of the Greater Portland Russian Sister City Project; the Project Secretary Bea Loynes; and the Project’s interpreter Lisa Hayden.

**Later this year, the City of Westbrook will host the
Official Commemoration and Celebration of 25 Years of Friendship.**

Mark your calendars !

Date: Monday, November 18, 2013

Time: 3:30 p.m. Social Gathering

4:00 p.m. Official Ceremony

**Location: Westbrook Middle School Cafeteria
471 Stroudwater Street
Westbrook, Maine 04092**

We invite you to the Official Commemoration in Westbrook on November 18, 2013. More details will be coming soon ! We hope to have visitors from Archangel here, perhaps an Open World delegation, some high school students, and some community leaders. Please join us !

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APRIL 2013

Several Committee members attended a "Thanksgiving in April" event in Waterville to help welcome an **Open World** Delegation of five social services workers from Kotlas in the Archangel Region.

MAY 2013

Committee member and lawyer Steve Notinger hosted another legal intern from the Northern Arctic Federal University in Archangel during the period of May 7 to 27; visiting his law firm and going to court appearances was Natasha Ergina (who has now returned to Archangel to study for final exams).

JULY 2013

Committee member Steve Notinger hosted two professors from the Northern Arctic Federal University in Archangel during the period of July 3 to 19. Alexander Chekalin and his wife Polina both speak English well and have served as interpreters for Steve on his customary winter visits to Archangel.

SEPTEMBER 2013

Director Leonid Vasilyev of the Archangel Federal Hydro-Meteorological and Environmental Monitoring Service will visit Maine and New Hampshire during the week of September 22nd. His accompanying interpreter will be our friend Nina Fedoseeva. They are scheduled to visit with and strengthen the already existing relationships between his Agency and Plymouth State University and the Mount Washington Observatory. They also plan to visit the National Weather Service Facility in the town of Gray in Maine. FMI: Dennis Marrotte 232-4855. Also in September, two photographs taken by Committee member Dennis Marrotte showing Archangel School 6 and Portland High School students marching in Portland's 2011 Veterans Day Parade (honoring Arctic Convoys) will be featured in a presentation shown at the large Annual National Convention of the Photographic Society of America (held in South Portland).

OCTOBER 2013

For the 4th consecutive year, Archangel City Councilor Dimitri Akishev will visit Maine to run in the Annual Maine Marathon Race on Sunday, October 6, 2013. Planning to come with Dimitri are Archangel police official Pavel Ursaev (who also wants to run), Archangel human resources director Kirill Lebedinsky, and Dimitri's two daughters Anna and Elena. FMI: Ed Suslovic 671-6320.

NOVEMBER 2013

The period of November 15 to 24, 2013 will be a busy one for our Committee. As mentioned above, we hope to host an **Open World** Delegation, a School 6 delegation and a group of community leaders, all centered around the Celebration on November 18, 2013.

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